

NAME: _____ Beverley Naidoo Webquest 2011

Source: <http://www.beverleynaidoo.com>

Navigate your way through Beverley Naidoo's website, and learn more about the life and writings of the author of Journey to Jo'burg. Fill in the answers as you go on your journey.

HOME PAGE

1. "Welcome to my stories set in _____, the land of my birth...and in England, the country that became my home in _____. Since then my stories have roamed like the _____."

2. What does the word exile mean? _____

3. Journey to Jo'burg was _____ in South Africa.
4. Beverley compares a novel to a new _____. She says being a writer is like being a _____
_____. She has always loved stories because they are _____ to other worlds.

FAQs

Carefully read each of the following questions and answers in this section.

1. Why has Beverley set so many novels and short stories in South Africa?
2. What made her change her own ways of seeing?

3. What gave her the idea for Journey to Jo'burg ?
4. Why was Journey to Jo'burg banned in South Africa?
5. What were her feelings about South Africa's first democratic elections?
6. Is what she writes true?
7. What kind of responses has she had to her work?
8. Where can you go to read a "more probing" interview with Beverley Naidoo? _____

BIOGRAPHY

1. Beverley left South Africa for England in _____,
_____, not knowing if she would ever see her
_____ or _____ again
2. Her brother was _____ for fighting against
_____.
3. Fifty years later, she returned to South Africa. She visited _____
_____, the woman who took care of her family
when she was a child.
4. What does "ubulele" mean?
5. When Beverley was a child, the library was kept _____.

6. She received the _____ for her novel The Other Side of Truth.

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1. Journey to Jo'burg was published in _____.
2. Read the letter from the Controller of Customs and Excise addressed to Mrs. S Naidoo. What has the Directorate of Publications ruled the book to be? _____

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Name one award that Journey to Jo'burg was awarded. (Awards)

2. What is the title of the stand-alone sequel to Journey to Jo'burg ?
(Books)

HOMEWORK: Due Tuesday, April 19th

Use the information you have learned about Beverley Naidoo, and create a paragraph telling me what you found most interesting about her and why.